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The critical situation of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women: programme budget implications of the draft resolution contained in document A/C.3/55/L.16/Rev.1

The Fifth Committee:

(a) Decides to inform the General Assembly that the adoption of draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.16/Rev.1 would give rise to additional requirements up to $800,000 under section 9, Economic and social affairs, of the programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001,[1] on the understanding that the provision of regular budget funds to the Institute would constitute a one-time exception to the provisions of article VI, paragraph 1, of the Statute of the Institute;[2]

(b) Also decides, in this connection, to advance the Institute up to $800,000 for the year 2001 pending receipt of voluntary contributions on a one-time, exceptional and emergency basis;

(c) Further decides that, if voluntary contributions are insufficient to meet the Institute's requirements for 2001, this advance, less voluntary contributions received, will be considered a one-time only subvention, and that the resources utilized under the terms of this subvention will be reported in the context of the second performance report on the programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001;

[1] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 6, vol. II* (A/54/6/Rev.1).

[2] A/39/511, annex.

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(d) Emphasizes the need for the Institute, as a voluntarily financed programme of the United Nations, to pursue, as a priority activity, the expansion of its donor base, in accordance with the provisions of article VI, paragraph 1, of its own Statute.